

Amendment to the Claims

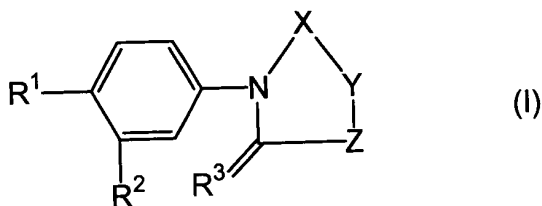
Please cancel claims 1-29.

Please add claims 30-38 as listed below.

1.-29. (canceled)

30. (New) A method of treating skin substantially without hair cover comprising the step of applying to said skin of a patient in need or desire thereof a composition comprising:

- a) at least one physiologically tolerated film-forming agent;
- b) at least one physiologically tolerated solvent;
- c) at least one plasticizer; and
- d) at least one compound of the formula I



or a stereoisomeric form or a physiologically tolerated salt of any of the foregoing, or a mixture of any of the foregoing, in which:

- R¹ is
- 1) -CN,
 - 2) -NO₂,
 - 3) a halogen, or

4) (C₁-C₄)-alkyl-C(O)-OH;

R² is

1) -CF₃,

2) a halogen, or

3) -CN;

R³ is

1) =O,

2) =S, or

3) =NH;

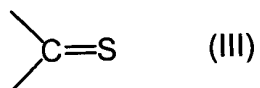
X is

1) a radical of formula II

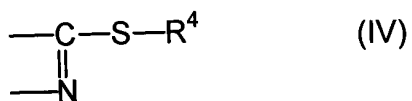


or

2) a radical of formula III



or X and Y together form a group of formula IV



in which R⁴ is

- 1) hydrogen atom,
- 2) (C₁-C₆)-alkyl-,
- 3) (C₂-C₆)-alkenyl-, or
- 4) (C₁-C₆)-alkyl-,

wherein the alkyl is mono- to trisubstituted,
independently of one another, by

4.1 -OH,

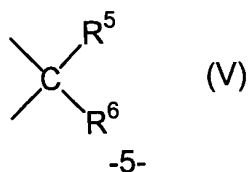
4.2 halogens,

4.3 -O-(C₁-C₄)-alkyl,

4.4 -CN, or

4.5 -SH;

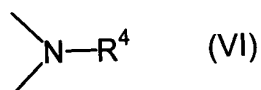
Y is 1) a radical of formula V



in which:

R^5 is, independently of R^6 , a hydrogen atom or (C_1-C_4) -alkyl, wherein the alkyl is unsubstituted or mono- to tetrasubstituted, independently of one another, by halogens, and R^6 is, independently of R^5 , (C_1-C_4) -alkyl, wherein the alkyl is unsubstituted or mono- to trisubstituted, independently of one another, by

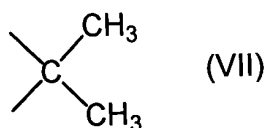
- a) halogens,
 - b) phenyl- $(CH_2)_m$ -, wherein the phenyl is unsubstituted or mono- to trisubstituted, independently of one another, by -COOH, -CN, or -CF₃, and m is the integer zero, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6,
 - c) -COOH,
 - d) -CN, or
 - e) -CF₃, or
- 2) radical of formula VI,



in which R⁴ is as defined above; and

Z is 1) -O- or

2) a radical of formula VII



wherein said compound of formula I is released from the film formed by application of said composition to a skin surface.

31. (New) A method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 30, wherein the compound of formula I is a compound in which:

R¹ is 1) -CN,

2) -NO₂, or

3) a halogen;

R² is 1) -CF₃ or

2) a halogen;

R³ is 1) =O or

2) =S;

X is the radical of formula II or III, or

X and Y together form the group of formula IV,

in which R^4 is as defined in claim 30;

Y is the radical of formula VI,

in which R^4 is as defined in claim 30; and

Z is the radical of formula VII.

32. (New) A method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 30, wherein the compound of formula I is a compound in which:

R^1 is -CN;

R^2 is -CF₃;

R^3 is =O;

X is the radical of formula II;

Y is the radical of formula VI, in which R^4 is hydrogen; and

Z is -O- or the radical of formula VII.

33. (New) A method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 30, wherein the compound of formula I is chosen from 4-[3-(4-hydroxybutyl)-4,4-dimethyl-2,5-dioxo-1-imidazolidinyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzonitrile and 4-(5-methyl-2,4-dioxo-5-trifluoromethyl)-oxazolidin-3-yl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-benzonitrile.

34. (New) The method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 30, wherein the composition further comprises at least one additive chosen from circulation-promoting compounds, angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors, methylxanthine compounds, sodium channel openers, and hair growth-promoting compounds.

35. (New) The method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 34, wherein at least one hair growth-promoting compound is chosen from inner salts of 2,4-diamino-6-alkoxy-3-sulfoxypyrimidine hydroxide having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms in the alkoxy radical, pyridine 1-oxide compounds, and 2,6-diamino-1,3,5-triazine compounds.

36. (New) The method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 35, wherein at least one hair growth-promoting compound is an inner salt of 2,4-diamino-6-butoxy-3-sulfoxypyrimidine hydroxide.

37. (New) The method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 35, wherein at least one pyridine 1-oxide compound is 2,6-diamino-4-piperidinopyridine.

38. (New) The method of treating skin substantially without hair cover as claimed in claim 35, wherein at least one 2,6-diamino-1,3,5-triazine compound is 2,6-diamino-4-butoxy-1,3,5-triazine 1-oxide.